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DEPUTY SECRETARY AND KATSUSHI FUJII, CHAIRMAN,
JAPANESE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOREIGN
RELATIONS COMMITTEE

REF: TOKYO 13425

FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S
CONVERSATION WITH FUJII ON OCTOBER 24, 1973.

QUOTE: MR. FUJII BEGAN BY NOTING THAT HE HAD JUST COME
FROM A TEN-DAY VISIT TO THE PRC AS HEAD OF A JAPANESE
DIETMEN'S DELEGATION. THE PRINCIPAL CHINESE OFFICIALS
WITH WHOM THE JAPANESE DELEGATION MET WERE FOREIGN
MINISTER CHI PENG-FEI AND DEPUTY PREMIER TENG
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HSIAO-P'ING. FUJII SAID HE CONSIDERED IT SIGNIFICANT

THAT, IN RESPONSE TO JAPANESE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE FUTURE COURSE OF US-PRC RELATIONS, TENG STATED THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND THE PRC DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON THE US ATTITUDE TOWARD TAIWAN. TENG TOLD THE JAPANESE THAT THE PRC WOULD BE PREPARED TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE US IMMEDIATELY IF THE US WERE TO SEVER DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH THE ROC AND RECOGNIZE THE PRC AS THE SOLE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CHINA. (WHILE WAITING TO SEE THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, FUJII AMPLIFIED ON THIS POINT SOMEWHAT TO THE REPORTING OFFICER, STATING THAT THE CHINESE DID NOT

APPEAR TO WANT OR EXPECT THE US TO ABANDON TAIWAN COMPLETELY. THE CHINESE LEFT HIM WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY EVEN FAVOR A CONTINUED US PRESENCE IN TAIWAN AS A BLOCK AGAINST THE POSSIBILITY OF THE SOVIETS GAINING INFLUENCE THERE.) UNQUOTE
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